1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRODUCT AND COMPANY

IDENTIFICATION/PRODUCT NAME Soda Crystals, washing soda, washing soda crystals, fine soda crystals, sodium carbonate decahydrate, hydrated soda ash.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

A crystalline solid classified herein as a preparation containing sodium carbonate and water together with an anti-caking agent. Generally used as a water softener in laundry operations, as a cleaning aid and as a mild alkali.

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2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Irritating to eyes

A preparation containing sodium carbonate and water together with an anti-caking agent.

Concentration Symbol Risk Phrase Sodium carbonate greater than 30% Xi R36

CAS **EINECS** Sodium carbonate 000497-19-8 207-838-8

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

R36

An alkaline preparation which may cause irritation to the eyes and, on prolonged contact, to the skin.

Irritating to the respiratory system.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Xi;

Inhalation Remove patient to fresh air, keep warm and at rest. Keep

patient under observation at all times. Obtain medical

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attention if symptoms develop.

Skin contact Remove contaminated clothing. Dust off promptly and wash

the skin with plenty of water until no 'soapy' feeling remains.

Obtain medical attention if symptoms develop.

Eye contact The eye should be thoroughly irrigated for not less than 10

minutes with clean water. Obtain medical attention. Wash out mouth with water and give plenty of water to

drink. Do not induce vomiting. Obtain immediate medical

attention if patient feels unwell.

Further Medical Treatment

Ingestion

Symptomatic treatment and supportive therapy as indicated.

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5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

No specific fire fighting procedure given. Not combustible though packaging may burn.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

In the event of accidental release wear suitable PPE. The preparation can be gently brushed up and placed in suitable dry, covered containers. The affected area can then be cleaned with water. Do not generate dust.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

HANDLING

Maintain good general ventilation.

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid acids. Wash promptly with soap and water if skin becomes contaminated. Always follow good personal hygiene when working with this product. Do not breathe dust.

STORAGE

Store in a cool well-ventilated place in the original closed containers. The product will melt at 32/33° C. In open containers, the product may lose water of crystallisation. Avoid contact with aluminium, zinc, tin and their alloys.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure limits

10mg/m3 total dust; 5mg/m3 respirable dust.

Ventilation

Provide adequate general ventilation.

Respiratory protection

Use approved RPE for dusts, or suitable LEV. Goggles.

Eye protection Hand protection

Gloves unless skin contact can be avoided.

Skin

Overalls and boots where appropriate.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance

Fine white crystals

Odour

None

Bulk Density

0.8g/ml approx.

Solubility

Soluble in water (26% w/w wrt anhydrous salt).

Insoluble residue (up to 1%) will dissolve in dilute acids.

pH value

11.7 (10% solution wrt crystals).

Ignition temperature

Does not burn

Melting point

32/33° C (forms solution)

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15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Health, safety and environmental details to be shown on the label.

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Safety Phrases

S2

Keep out of the reach of children.

S22

Do not breathe dust

S26

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water

and seek medical advice.

S46

If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this

container or label.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

List of relevant R-phrases and symbols.

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